

## MAJOR BUTLER SAYS MEXICO NEEDS A DENTAL CLINIC

After examining 187 children of Mexico in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades of the Central school here Major H. B. Butler of the United States Public Health Department says that something should be done immediately to better the mouth conditions of the children of Mexico. Major Butler says that the teeth of the children as a whole are up to the standard but that a large number of cases show serious neglect. Major Butler has interviewed several dentists in Mexico and they have expressed themselves as being willing to devote one afternoon a week to the work of a free clinic, if the city would furnish the equipment. This would be of almost immeasurable benefit to the children. An equipment such as Major Butler and his assistant, Miss Virginia Costa, little more than \$100 and large quarters are not necessary for the work. Seventy-five per cent of the children, who were examined last week are underweight, ranging from one to thirty pounds. In the fifth and sixth grades the average amount underweight is seven and eight pounds, but in the seventh and eighth grades it is from eight to thirty-four pounds under, showing the effect of continued neglect of the teeth.

Some of the worst cases photographed. Groups were organized under captains for tooth brush drills. The children were shown the proper way to clean the teeth and the kind of brushes and paste to use. Bob Tucker was chosen captain of his work and will organize drills in the other schools. It is too bad that every person in Mexico could not visit the school during the week and observe Major Butler and Miss Thornhill at work. A small room on the second floor has been converted into an up-to-date dental office. All of the equipment was brought by Major Butler and is of very much the same kind as used in the army camps during the war. The dental chair folds up into a small chest and there is another chest which carries supplies. Their first and perhaps largest task, according to Miss Thornhill is to win the confidence of the children and dispel their fear of the dental chair and the dentist. Miss Thornhill loves children and in a very short time they will love her for she knows all sorts of games and stories and often dresses up as a little girl herself and plays with them. Major Butler and Miss Thornhill are now engaged in the fourth year of this work and have been in a number of States in the Union. From Mexico they will go to Moberly, Columbia and Jefferson City.

## MEMBERSHIP LIST AT GOLF CLUB ALMOST FULL

The membership of 100, which is the limit at the new golf club, is now practically filled and every day a large number enjoy the golf course. The ground is getting into splendid shape and promises to be one of the best in this part of the State. The formal opening will be held soon and will probably be in the form of a big barbecue. Sand greens have been added to the golf course at the new club increasing the yardage from 2,138 to 3,010. The distance of the grass greens is as follows:

1st hole	315 yds.
2nd hole	162 yds.
3rd hole	176 yds.
4th hole	324 yds.
5th hole	182 yds.
6th hole	266 yds.
7th hole	212 yds.
8th hole	345 yds.
9th hole	250 yds.

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**New Serum Cures Diabetes.**  
PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 17.—Physiologists at the University of Toronto, Canada, have prepared a serum which is pronounced an "absolute cure for diabetes."

A small quantity of the serum was sent to the University of Penn., a week ago for physicians of that institution to use experimentally on diabetic patients. After several injections had been administered to three cases selected for the purpose, Dr. Alfred Stengel, professor of medicine in the Medical School of the University, pronounced the experiments an unqualified success.

S. P. Cunningham went to St. Louis Monday to attend a banquet to be given in honor of the deputy grand masters of the masonic lodge and to attend a meeting of the Grand Lodge.

**Milk For Kiddies.**  
The Parent-Teacher's Ass'n. of the North Central school has decided to give a half pint of milk a day to the under-nourished children of the school starting Wednesday morning next. This plan is being followed in many of the progressive public schools of the state.

Mrs. X. P. and Miss Mary Ella Willey, of St. Louis, spent the weekend with Mrs. Willey's father Judge J. A. Guthrie.

San Phillips, a prominent attorney of St. Joseph, has been the guest of Mexico relatives. Mr. Phillips has a host of friends here who were glad to see him "back home" again.

## MME. MELLISH AGAIN PLEASURES AUDIENCE HERE

A most gracious personality and a beautiful soprano voice made the concert given at Hardin College by Madame Mellish of the Metropolitan Grand Opera, one of the most pleasing musical events which Mexico has had for some time. Madame Mellish's program was unusually comprehensive, containing two arias, one from Faust and another from Louise and three other groups of songs, which made it varied enough to please all lovers of good music. From an operatic aria to the charming little song "Take Me Jamie Dear," which Madame Mellish sang as an encore, is quite a distance but Madame Mellish's mood changed constantly in accord with her music, now sad, now happy, now wistful but ever in sympathy with her song and the audience was in sympathy with the singer. Madame Mellish, has a voice of rare quality, range and volume, but her artistic ability was such that she knew exactly how to place it to suit the acoustic properties of the Hardin College Auditorium.

The funeral services of Mrs. E. H. Holtkamp, who died at 5 o'clock Monday morning were held at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the home, conducted by the Rev. J. H. Turner. Burial was in Elmwood.

**Marriage License.**  
A marriage license was issued here Monday to Emerson Morris, Jr., of Stockton, Cal., and Anna Orlyn Rood of Auxvasse.

Mrs. Francis Board of Fulton came to Mexico Monday to be with her husband, who is doing some cement work in this city.

Charles Duty and wife, of Udell, Ia., were in Mexico Tuesday on their way to Jacksonville, Ill., to see Mr. Duty's sister who is quite ill.

Rehro Gibbs, who has been quite ill, is able to be out. His many friends will be glad to hear this.

Mrs. Elizabeth Burks is the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Clark, on South Western Avenue.

Miss Helen Helzer of Columbia spent the week-end with her parents in Mexico.

Rodes Dillard, Frank Wilkins and Ellis Davis are camping near Santa Fe.

Oval metal signs, with raised black letters on an orange background will be used by the state to mark the state highways. About 10,000 will be required.

## Election Information

In this edition of the Ledger will be found a supplement containing full information of the important state questions to be voted on November, 7th. Every voter should take the time to inform himself on these matters as they are most important in every way. Read them over and then you can go to the polls ready to vote "yes" or "no" according to your best judgment.

*L. Mitchell White*

## CLARK GIBBS RULER OF JUNIOR ELKS

Clark Gibbs will be junior ruler of the Mexico Junior Elks for the second year of that organization to succeed Earl Moore. Other officers of the organization, who were elected at a special meeting Monday evening are: Junior, loyal knight, Dorance Edmonston, junior lecturer, Langdon McIntyre; junior leading knight, Coleman Stoltz; secretary, George Tolson; treasurer, Edward Gamble; Tyler, Bob Tucker; pilot, Richard Kent; esquire, William Rainey. Thirty of the forty members of the Order were present at the meeting. John Barclay, exalted ruler of the Elks discussed the coming year's work. Other talks were made by Co. F. N. Henderson and San D. Byrns.

## KING'S DAUGHTERS AND SONS HOLD CONVENTION IN COLUMBIA THIS WEEK

The annual convention of the State Branch of the International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons opened a three-day session in Columbia Tuesday. On Thursday the guests will be given a reception at the home of J. C. Jones, president of the University of Missouri. Among those from Mexico who are attending the meeting are Mrs. E. D. Graham, Mrs. V. H. Griffin and Mrs. A. S. Houston.

**HAVE FARM PICNIC.**  
Regardless of the rain last Saturday the Botts Farm Club held its annual picnic. There was a short program of entertainment by the students of Bott's school which was most delightful. Afterward a delicious basket dinner was served. A large crowd attended though many were kept away by the unsettled weather.

**The 1923 Missouri Auto License.**  
The Missouri automobile license tags for 1923 will have a black background with blue letters and are to be the same size as those in use this year. Contracts have been let for 850,000 owners' tags for automobiles, 40,000 tags for trucks, and 3000 tags for dealers.

**Was Very Ill.**  
Mrs. Mary O'Connor of Clifton Hill was taken seriously ill a few evenings ago and for some time her life was despaired of. She is much improved now however. Mrs. O'Connor is the mother of Mrs. O. B. Elsen, a young society matron of Moberly, who has a number of friends in Mexico.

A new-high price for cattle in St. Louis this year was established Tuesday by the sale of 27 choice Angus bullocks, 1391 lbs. average, at \$12.55 per cwt. These heaves, among the best seen at this market in some time, were the property of Geo. F. Fennwald a successful Audrain County, Mo. feeder. He also had in his consignment two other loads of high-finished steers that averaged 1416 and 1380 lbs. and sold at \$12.25.

Mr. Fennwald bought the above cattle on the St. Louis market last November and December and used corn and cottonseed meal as a feeding ration. A local packer purchased the shipment—Live Stock Reporter.

H. E. Ball of Montgomery was a Mexico visitor Tuesday.

F. W. Inglish of Vandalia was in Mexico Tuesday.

**Marriage License.**  
A marriage license has been granted at the county recorder's office here to Edwin A. Boeger of Mexico and Miss Blanche Foree of Martinsburg.

Mrs. W. L. Devenport and son and daughter have returned from Kansas City, where they enjoyed the Priests of Pallas.

## JOHN W. THOMAS DIES TUESDAY IN NEW YORK

A message has been received in Mexico telling of the death of John W. Thomas in New York City Tuesday afternoon. Death was caused by pneumonia. Mr. Thomas formerly lived in Mexico but left here a number of years ago. He is survived by his wife and four sisters: Mrs. J. W. Squires, Mrs. Nettie Arthur and Miss Beas Thomas of Mexico; and Miss Calla Thomas of St. Louis. Mrs. Arthur and Miss Calla Thomas left Wednesday for New York. The funeral will be held Saturday morning.

The Ledger extends sympathy to the relatives.

**RUSH—HILL.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Perry are visiting in Michigan.

Mrs. Alton Mudd has returned home from St. Louis where she was nursing Mrs. Garrett's sick child. The baby died Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Slaven were shopping in Mexico one day last week.

Mr. Everett Boyer is returning to his home at Sunlight.

Quite a few from Rush Hill attended the Home Makers Play at Laddonia Saturday.

Mrs. George Coakley visited her mother Mrs. George Buhr last week. Elmer Walters was in Mexico on business Friday.

Ralph Linney of Columbia was in Rush Hill the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Davis are motoring from Rush Hill to Mexico this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Glascock from Vandalia are visiting Mrs. Geo. Miller. business Monday.

Peter Erdel was in Mexico on business Monday.

The Homemakers will have their bazaar Sat. October, 28. They will serve chili, pie and coffee. Also they will give a play.

Booster Club of Blackville afternoon and night.

Mrs. Roberta Stuart is visiting her father near Martinsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Otha Bradley of Marshall are visiting Mr. Charlie Bradley.

Henry Stuart shipped two carloads of sheep to National Stock Yards, Ill., Monday and received a carload of sheep Tuesday from Fort Worth, Texas.

Edd Hildebrand shipped a carload of sheep and one of hogs to Ill. Monday.

Claud Lower received two carloads of sheep from Omaha, Monday.

Mrs. Grace Stuart left Monday to spend two weeks in Ill.

Roswell Gray who has been ill is improving rapidly.

A party surprised Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Slavs Sunday, Oct. 15, it being their anniversary.

The Homemakers play in Laddonia will be given over again Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hudson will leave Thursday for what Mark Twain called "the hub of the universe." Bowling Green where they will make their home. Their many friends here will regret their departure but join the Ledger in wishing them much happiness in their new home.

Judge and Mrs. E. A. Shannon went to Kansas City Wednesday morning to attend the General Association meeting of the Baptist Churches of Missouri.

At Audrain Hospital.  
Mrs. John R. Love Hillsbury, Ill., Paul F. Diggs of Bellflower were admitted Tuesday.

## AUXVASSE GIRL TO BE BRIDE OF CALIFORNIAN

The marriage of Emerson O. Morris, Jr., of Stockton, Cal., to Miss Orlyn Rood of Auxvasse took place at 7:30 Wednesday evening at the Auxvasse Methodist Church. The marriage was the culmination of three years duration.

Mr. Morris is the nephew of Vernon Morris of Mexico. Among those from Mexico, who will attend the wedding will be Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Morris and two daughters, Georgia and Lena and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams.

Miss Jessie Harrison of Auxvasse went to California to live after her mother's death and it was through her that the correspondence between her cousin, Emerson Morris and Miss Rood began. That was three years ago and they did not meet until last fall when Mr. Morris came to Missouri to visit his uncle.

The bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Morris were both formerly of Audrain County, Mrs. Morris formerly being Miss Tonie Harrison of Auxvasse.

## DEMOCRATIC PARTY EMBLEM IS ATTRACTIVE



The above is the emblem which will be found at the head of the Democratic ticket on the ballot at the election November 7th.

## ATTEND BAPTIST CONVENTION IN KANSAS CITY

Among those from Mexico, who are attending the meeting of the General Baptist Association of Missouri in Kansas City are: Judge and Mrs. E. A. Shannon, Judge J. A. Guthrie, the Rev. J. H. Hughes, Dr. Asa Q. Burns, and Mrs. E. C. Jones.

## INVITE KING'S DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO MEET HERE

The following telegram was sent Wednesday morning to the Kings Daughters and Sons, who are now holding their state convention in Columbia:

"To the King's Daughters and Sons in Convention Assembled:  
We send you greetings and cordially invite you to hold your next annual State Convention in Mexico, Mo."

Mexico Chamber of Commerce. R. R. Wagner, president."

## F. W. EMERSON TO SPEAK AT CHAUTAUQUA AT HOLIDAY THURSDAY

The Rev. F. W. Emerson of Mexico will deliver his lecture, "The Canary Bird in the Coal Mine" at Holiday Thursday night. Mr. Emerson's lecture will be part of the program of the three-day chautauqua which is being held there.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hays have returned from a week's visit in Monroe City, Mrs. Hays' former home town.

Mrs. Bertha S. White of Vandalia was in Mexico Wednesday.

**Boys Radio Set.**  
Dr. J. F. Jolley has purchased a handsome Radio receiving set from the Mexico Music Co. It will be installed within a few days.

## WORK OF D. A. R. IS DISCUSSED THURSDAY

Officers of Mexico D. A. R. Regent, Mrs. C. C. Hammond. First vice-president, Mrs. Harry Atchison.

Second secretary, Miss Lillie Dohy. Recording secretary, Mrs. L. N. Gordon.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Thurman Stallings. Treasurer, Mrs. P. E. Coll. Registrar, Mrs. T. B. Hook. Historian, Mrs. Jeter Crews.

The Patriotic Education Endowment Fund and the Soldiers Loan Fund, two of the worthwhile enterprises of the Daughters of the American Revolution were discussed at the Thursday afternoon session.

Deserving boys and girls who desire an education are loaned money through the patriotic endowment fund to use in going to school and after their educations are completed are allowed to pay back the money. This work has been going on for some time and is being conducted most successfully.

Through the invitation of Mrs. John Trigg Moss, vice-president general, George B. Tracy in charge of the Federal War Veterans' Bureau came to Mexico and addressed the conference Thursday afternoon. Over \$20,000 has been loaned to disabled veterans through this fund.

Mr. Tracy in explaining it said in part:

This fund is being used in connection with the men taking vocational training. At the present time indications are that this year, not only in the Ninth District in Missouri, but all over the United States, the men in training under my organization will be greater in number than ever before. There are various reasons for that. Men who heretofore have been able to carry on have broken down through their war disabilities, and having gone as far as they could on their own resources, are now coming to the Government for what is due them. Other men have suffered disabilities so that their condition has been such that they were not able to take training, but who have improved to an extent that they are now able to enter one of our courses.

Friday was taken up with reports of chapters and business. The conference adjourned at 4 o'clock in the afternoon but many of the delegates were forced to leave in the morning.

One of the pleasantest entertainments of the week for the visiting D. A. R. was the reception at the King's Daughters Home for Aged Women. Over 200 guests attended. It was Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock and everyone who attended enjoyed the occasion.

Dolly Madison, Betsy Ross, Martha Washington and all the other personages whose histories have delighted us in our childhood, were present at the costume banquet given at the Hoxsey Hotel by the Daughters of the American Revolution Thursday evening. About three hundred guests enjoyed the affair which was one of the most unique social events ever given in Mexico.

The prize of \$5 given by Mrs. A. H. Connelly, state historian of D. A. R. for the best costume was awarded to Mrs. George of Kansas City, who represented Mrs. James Madison and the prize of \$5 also offered by Mrs. Connelly for the chapter having the largest number in costume was won by the Mexico Chapter, which had twenty in costume.

The judges were Mrs. L. M. Ottoly of St. Louis, Mrs. F. C. Buckrey of Hannibal and George May of Mexico. During the banquet an orchestra under the direction of Miss Martha Pilcher played and there were several Indian dances.

After the dinner the guests went to the Elks Home where an entertainment was given under the direction of Mrs. A. H. Connelly.

**Correction.**  
The Whatsoever Circle of the King's Daughters and not the Helping Circle served refreshments to the D. A. R. at the Home Tuesday afternoon.

**Ask State to Buy Tavern.**  
The Daughters of the American Revolution in Missouri want the State to purchase the old tavern at Arrow Rock in order to preserve the historical building and relics.

Miss Barbara Reavis, a student in the University of Missouri spent the week-end in Mexico.

## RELIGIOUS CENSUS TO BE TAKEN

A religious census will be taken of Mexico Monday to ascertain the number of church members and the number regularly attending church. The purpose will be to secure data which may be of help to the various churches in carrying on their work more efficiently.

This census will be followed by a "Go-To-Church" revival which will be carried on by the Baptist, Christian, Episcopal, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches. The purpose of which is to not only increase church attendance but also increase interest in church activities. During this revival an effort will be made to see every person in Mexico and ask them to sign a pledge to go to church for four weeks unless prevented by causes beyond their control.

## PASTOR DENOUNCES K. K. K. HERE AS UN-AMERICAN

The Rev. C. W. Cowart, pastor of the Mexico Methodist church, scored the Ku Klux Klan Sunday morning in his sermon, as an "un-American" organization.

He said that any organization which attempted to build up barriers between the people of this country on racial or religious lines were not following the tenets of the Christian religion or the ideals of true Americanism.

In issuing his statement Mr. Cowart said he did not know whether there were klansmen present in his congregation or not but that he felt his sentiments were based upon the true conception of Christianity and American ideals.

## TO ATTEND DISTRICT CONVENTION

Mrs. J. B. Quisenberry was elected secretary of the Federated Women's Clubs of Mexico Monday afternoon to succeed Mrs. F. W. Cone, who recently resigned. The following district meeting which will be held in Louisiana, October 20 and 21: Mrs. J. F. Llewellyn, Mrs. J. B. Quisenberry and Mrs. James Dermody. Mrs. Alex Carter, president of the Mexico Federation, will attend the meeting at Louisiana by virtue of her office.

Judge Alex Carter is over from Jefferson City for a short visit. He says he doesn't know when the Constitutional Convention will close. He is a delegate from this district to that important body.

Phil Shire, of Kansas City, was here Saturday on a visit. He looks well and his host of Mexico friends were glad to see him back "home" again.

Britt Steele of the Chillicothe Business College is the guest of Sergeant and Mrs. Paschall and his mother, Mrs. Maud Steele who will leave next week for Ada, Okla.

Mrs. C. C. Hammond has returned to Columbia after spending two weeks in Mexico.

Henry Hansen left for Little Rock, Mrs. Hansen and son will join him in a month or two.

J. P. Rowlinson of Montgomery came to Mexico Monday.

E. O. Esslinger of Fulton spent Monday in Mexico.

Mrs. George Younger, who was taken ill Friday, is no better.

Roy Niles of St. Louis, was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. George Younger, Sunday.

Tom Morris has returned from a visit in St. Paul.

W. F. Settle and Wm. F. Settle and wife of Monroe came to Mexico on business Wednesday.